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Mr. Edmond J. Thomas Chief, Office of Engineering and Technology Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re:

Amendment of Parts 2, 25 and 73 of the Commission's Rules to Implement Decisions form the World Radiocommunication Conference (Geneva, 2003) (WRC-03) Concerning Frequency Bands Between 5900 kHz and 27.5 GHz and to Otherwise Update the Rules in this Frequency Range, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, ET Docket No. 04-139 (March 31, 2004).

Dear Mr. Thomas:

The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) appreciates the Federal Communications Commission's (Commission) efforts to expeditiously implement the results of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2003 (WRC-03) in accordance with the plan as agreed to by the Chairman and the Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information. The Commission has done excellent work in formulating the domestic rules in the above-referenced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM). NTIA strongly supports the Commission's proposed rules in total, as outlined in the NPRM. Furthermore, NTIA does not support contrary proposals submitted during the comment period.

NTIA appreciates the Commission's hard work on implementing the WRC-03 results. If you have any questions, Vernita Harris from my staff will be the NTIA point-of-contact. She can be reached at (202) 482-4687 or <a href="mailto:vharris@ntia.doc.gov">vharris@ntia.doc.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

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Associate Administrator

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